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RESPONSE TO FEBRUARY 23, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2005. The original period of response to the Office Action is a statutory period of three (3) months from the mailing date of the Office Action. Therefore, this response is timely filed if filed on or before May 23, 2005, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10. However, Applicant is filing his response within two (2) months of the mailing date of the Office Action in order to obtain an advisory opinion from the Examiner. If there are any additional fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge these additional fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-0019. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and such fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

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